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Man Pleads to Possessing, Distributing Child Pornography

A 55-year-old man admitted today to possessing and distributing child pornography online, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Carlos Enrique Castillo of Los Angeles pleaded no contest to five felony counts of distribution of obscene matter and one felony count of possession of over 600 images of child or youth pornography in an open plea to the court. An open plea means a sentence was not negotiated with the District Attorney's Office.

Sentencing is scheduled for Feb. 28 in Department 35 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center. Castillo faces a possible maximum sentence of eight years and four months in state prison.

Deputy District Attorney Angela Brunson of the Cyber Crime Division said Castillo sent files containing child pornography via the internet with his personal computer during a six-month period from October 2017 through March 2018. He was an employee of the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at the time.

Videos and images of child pornography also were discovered on Castillo's computer.

Case BA469163 was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department, Juvenile Division's Internet Crimes Against Children task force.

About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.